

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the beginning at page 9, lines 3-10, with the following rewritten paragraph:

a Each diverging light flux emitted from each semiconductor laser 1A, 1A', 1B, and 1B' is coupled by the respective coupling lenses 2A, 2A', 2B, and 2B'. The light flux passed the respective coupling lenses 2A, 2A', 2B, and 2B' then passes respective resin imaging lenses 3A, 3A', 3B, and 3B', which have a positive power only in the ~~sub-scanning~~ sub-scanning direction, to form a linear image in the vicinity of a deflecting surface of the deflectors 4.